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Pursuant to the Duty of Disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, the materials listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each is enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified U.S. patent application.

The claimed invention is patentable over the enclosed references. No representations are made regarding the references other than those set forth above.

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The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

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